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HOUSE BILL 1494
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-201,
relative to voter registration.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-201, is amended by deleting subsection (1) and by substituting instead the following:

(1) The department of safety shall include a voter registration application as part of any motor vehicle driver license application or photo identification license used in Tennessee. When requested, employees of driver license examining stations shall provide such assistance as may be required to ensure that voter registration applications are properly completed and submitted. Except as provided in subdivision (2)(B), a properly completed application submitted by or on behalf of an individual who is otherwise eligible shall result in the registration of such individual.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-201, is amended by deleting subsection (6) and by substituting instead the following:

(6) A properly completed voter registration application or change of address of voter registration accepted at a driver license examining station shall be transmitted to

the appropriate county election office within twenty-four (24) hours from the time of such acceptance. Within seven (7) days, the county election commission shall contact the applicant for registration or change of address and shall indicate to such person whether the application has been accepted and processed by the commission. If accepted and processed, then the commission shall provide the applicant with a voter registration card. If not accepted and processed, then the commission shall specifically indicate the nature of the problem and the manner in which it can be remedied.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2001, the public welfare requiring it.